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**REQUEST  
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Application Number	09/402,737
Filing Date	October 18, 1999
First Named Inventor	DIETER NEUSER et al
Art Unit	1616
Examiner Name	Konata M. George
Attorney Docket Number	100717-79 / Bayer 10197.2

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114**a. ☒ Previously submitted

- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on November 27, 2002  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply      iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)  
ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)

- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR §§1.136 and 1.17)  
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